

## MODES ARE SIMPLE

REVIVAL OF OLD-FASHIONED STYLES IS UPON US.

Forcible Expression Is Found in Development of Accessories—Some Novelties in Footgear Are Being Shown.

Picturesque simplicity is the keynote of the season's modes and nowhere is this condition given more forcible expression than in the development of accessories. Old-fashioned styles are revived, and along with them there seems to be a return of old-fashioned industries and types of handicraft. Individuality in costume is frequently obtained by a woman's ability to stitch according to her own ideas. This applies to all sorts of garments, inner as well as outer. Madame Mode especially approves of home-made accessories.

For the head there's the hand-painted or hand-embroidered sports hat, or the gay, queer, unusual chapeau whose brim is straw braid and whose crown might have been snipped from the corner of grandma's silk crazy quilt. Silk patchwork hats are actually shown in the shops.

Waistcoats, vests and collars galore, fluffy and filmy and lacy or modishly severe and tailored, according to fancy, may be of home manufacture. Collars and capes of chiffon or satin trimmed in ostrich or marabou or fur, and following identically in style line their more costly rivals of all fur, are good style. Girdles of ribbon or satin or beadwork may be made as dainty embellishments for simple summer frocks.

Garden or porch sets consisting of hat and bag, combining in their make-up bright flowered cretonne or silk and straw or raffia braid, are shown; a basket-shaped or bowl-shaped receptacle of braid having a shirred-on top of cretonne or silk with long ribbon ends from which it is swung, while a mushroom or sailor hat of matching braid is crowned with the gayly flowered fabric. Hand-painted and hand-embroidered parasols and chic little sunshades adorned with applique work are increasingly popular with the arrival of summer sunshine, and foot-



Some Novelties in Footgear.

gear is as varied in style line, fabric and coloring accessories as are the various other accessories of dress.

Not practical perhaps, although decidedly novel, are some sports shoes with uppers made of Scotch plaid worsted and others made up of bright flowered cretonne.

The sketch shows a pair of fine silk stockings decorated with eyelet embroidery, and a pair of boudier slippers or mules of pink and blue checked silk combined with black satin, together with a pair of street pumps made of black and white polka-dotted satin with patent kid tips and heels, and a pair of shoe trees, ribbon trimmed and hand painted.

Good taste deprecates the wearing of ultra loud shoes and stockings on the street, but fancy may be given free rein in the selection of foot apparel for home wear, and not only do the shops offer a generous variety to choose from, but the woman who feels inclined to spend the money can have her own private bootmaker develop her foot-wear to suit her own taste and style.

### Rag Rugs for Pillows.

A very inexpensive and easily made pillow for porch, hammock or camping is made from a small rag rug. These may be obtained at a very small cost in any of the stores and in any color or combination of colors one could desire. Just fold the rug in half, stitch the two sides down with very coarse cotton, put a small, light pillow in and stitch the third side down, or, if desired, fasten with very large snaps. The pillow could then more easily be removed. These pillows launder beautifully and should they lose their brightness, could quite easily be redipped to restore the original shade.

## In Her Party Frock



The little miss, with the pretty curls, looks well in the simplest of her clothes, but she is adorable in her party frocks. She is sweetly conscious of being "all dressed up" and is entirely satisfied with things as they are. This is a state of mind most comfortable for all concerned.

The little party frock pictured above is made of such simple and inexpensive materials that every small girl is entitled to have her instinct for finery indulged. It requires nothing more extravagant than albatross cloth in cream white, a little venetian lace in an all-over pattern and plain cream white net for the sleeves. The albatross is a light weight wool fabric in a crepe-like weave which has the advantage of being washable. It comes in white and all colors. Venetian lace is familiar as a pretty and serviceable sort which is just as washable as the plain net of which the sleeves are made.

In this dress the skirt is joined to a plain short sleeveless waist. With its fullness disposed in a group of plaits at each side the skirt hangs in a panel at the front and back. The short body is supported by narrow straps over the shoulder and fastens with small buttons and button holes in the back. The

sleeves are gathered into three shirred sections over small cords and finished with a band of lace. The little slip-over jacket of lace is gathered over a cord into a round neck and bound with scallops at the back and front that lengthen into points at the side.

A wide sash of soft satin ribbon in one of the light tints is finished at one side with a big rosette bow with a single end. With a knowledge of the materials used and the small amounts required for a little girl, it is easy to figure the very modest cost of this pretty little party frock.

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### Parisian Economy.

It is doubtful if American women have fully grasped the fact that for nearly two years now Parisian style makers have been endeavoring to get the very best effects with the smallest expenditure. Hence the wool embroidery, the linen coat facings, the oiled cloth collars and cuffs. And, incidentally, it will be interesting to notice whether when they do discover it Americans will resent this untraditional economy.

## For the Little Kindergartner



The little miss who is about to take her initial step on the endless road of knowledge must be fitted out with plain and pretty frocks for school wear. Most of these are to be had ready made, in reliable materials and at prices so low that it is hardly worth while to make them at home. But others in which simple handwork in ornamental stitches is used for a finish are comparatively high priced. Here is one made of plain "India linen." This by the way, is an unsuitable name for a beautiful cotton fabric that needs no false colors for smooth sailing.

The plain full skirt is modeled at the top with mercerized crocheted cotton and the edge of the frill about the neck is finished with overcast stitches set close together. This cotton is in a color contrasting with the dress and in this instance delft blue is used on white. The top of the wide hem is outlined with diagonal stitches set close together and the edges of the small bands about the sleeves are done in the same way as the collar.

The greater number of dresses for school wear are made of heavier cottons and linens in colors. The faded

for a reserved use of decorations made with the simplest of embroidery or other needlework stitches, shows no sign of decreasing in popularity. This quickly made and elegant-looking finish for the everyday clothes of little girls is in keeping with the familiar serviceable materials it is used on. It is not too fine for them. Fortunately the little miss whose home people can decorate her frocks in this way. Unconsciously she will be educated to a fine "sense of clothes."

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### Paneled Wall Paper.

Panel effects are achieved very cleverly these days by means of wall paper, and one of the best mediums for a summer cottage is a plaid-toned paper in fawn, grey or cream tones, outlined by a floral band that exactly reproduces the design of the cretonne hangings and upholstery of the room. These panels are rather large, so the floral band is not in the least intrusive and the monotonous effect of the paper is pleasingly relieved.

## HONEY'S MANY USES

ARTICLE REALLY IS NOT PROPERLY APPRECIATED.

Healthy and Economical Food Should Be Far More Widely Used Than It Is—Some Ways to Employ It.

Honey is one of the healthiest and most economical foods, and it is not only delicious, but has invaluable medicinal qualities. It cannot, of course, take the place of sugar, as sugar is more convenient, for one thing, but it is better adapted to certain cooking than sugar and its flavor is an aid in securing that variety which all cooks are seeking.

For instance, cream cheese and honey, either liquid or in the comb, makes a delicious and healthful combination.

Two ounces of honey and six ounces of strawberries, with three ounces of cottage cheese, two ounces of bread and two-thirds of an ounce of butter, the latter either spread on the bread or mixed with the cheese, makes a very well-balanced meal.

As a filling for sandwiches, honey may be used with chopped nuts, or the nuts may be added to cheese and honey for the same purpose.

Honey can be used instead of sirup or jam with cereals and pancakes, and if a little hot water is added to it it will be easier to pour. It is more convenient than sugar for sweetening lemonade or other fruit drinks, as it does not have to be dissolved. With charged water it has less of a tendency to expel the gas. Solid honey makes a delicious filling for cake.

It may be substituted for molasses in all forms of bread and cake cooking, and gives a more delicate flavor. It contains less acid than molasses, and so requires less soda in recipes which form when poured into cold water. Beat the white of the egg until stiff, and when the sirup has cooled slightly pour over the egg, beating the mixture constantly until it will hold its shape. This frosting is suitable for use between layers of cakes, but is rather too soft for the top.

Cakes made with honey will keep fresh much longer than when sugar is used. Indeed, if butter is omitted they will keep for months, and even improve in flavor.

Honey can be used in a variety of ways for preserving. A good jelly may be made by combining a cupful of apple juice with a cupful of honey and proceeding as in ordinary jelly making. Other combinations of the sort could probably be worked out.

Cranberries cooked in honey and water are delicious. Take equal weights of each of the ingredients, and after pricking each berry several times to prevent bursting and permit the sirup to penetrate to the interior, cook them slowly until they are soft and boil down the sirup until it just covers them. Pour into glasses and cover like jelly. A good method is to place all the ingredients in a double boiler and heat them very slowly. If this method is followed the boiling down of the sirup is even more necessary than when the berries are cooked more rapidly. Honey is good to use with sugar for candies, because it causes it to remain soft.

### To Mend the Screens.

The broken door or window screen is an eyesore all summer if it is left unmended, or the repairing is done clumsily. The neatest way to mend the screen is to cut a piece of wire netting about three inches larger than the hole. Remove the wires around the edge of the patch for half an inch or more, like drawing away the threads from a piece of linen. Bend the resulting prongs at right angles and fit the patch in place with the wire ends sticking through the screen. Press the patch flat against the larger surface, then on the other side press the ends back to their original position. This secures the patch.

### Small Baked Mackerel.

After splitting and cleaning fish place in a buttered dripping pan. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and cover with one-half cupful of thin cream. In place of the cream two-thirds of a cupful of milk and a little butter may be used. Bake in a hot oven for 20 minutes.

### Asparagus on Toast.

Wash asparagus, cut off the bottom of stalks. Then cut off the rest of the hard part and put these to boil in salted water and boil till tender. Then put in tops and boil till done. Toast bread, butter, and heat milk, put asparagus on toast, pour the milk over, add pepper and salt to taste.

### Apple Sauce.

Roast goose, duck or pork should have apple sauce. First pare, core and quarter a pound of apples. Boil them till soft in a saucepan, with half a cupful of water. Add an ounce of sugar and half an ounce of butter and beat them up.

### Light and Fluffy Potatoes.

After the potatoes have been mashed and the milk added, add a pinch of baking powder and beat it with an egg-beater. You will find that this will make them light and fluffy.

### To Keep Brooms.

Soaking a broom in hot water before using for the first time will make the bristles stronger and add many months to their life.

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